Sl. No.	Name of Scheme	Approved cost	Latest esti-mated cost	Likely expen-diture up to March, 1985	Date of approval	Plan period in which started
27	Lower Penganga (V)	—	259·92	0·02	UA	VI
28	Lower Thirna (M)	37·65	40·46	8·26	28-2-83	VI
29	Ghosi Khurd (V)	—	464·82	1·77	UA	VI
30	Lower Wardha (V)	—	92·59	1·20	UA	VI
31	Lower Wunna (V)	—	52·00	8·33	UA	VI
32	Wan (M)	—	34·14	2·91	UA	VI
33	Arunavati (V)	—	33·05	5·05	UA	VI
34	Tultuli	—	35·66	2·71	UA	VI
35	Karwa	—	11·20	2·02	UA	VI
36	Cated Weir at Khodashi	—	3·34	0·24	UA	VI
37	Sangola Br. Canal	—	21·23	1·07	UA	VI
38	Talamba	—	72·38	3·80	UA	VI
39	Punad	—	13·30	0·83	UA	VI
40	Human (V)	—	61·47	4·25	UA	VI
41	Koyna-Krishna Lift Scheme	—	8·43	0·10	UA	VI

UA. Unapproved (V) Videarbha Projects

(M) —Marathwara Projects.

Lifting of fertilizers by railways

196. SHRI S.W. DHABE:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Railways have refused the Agriculture Ministry's demand for moving additional 3 million tonnes of fertilisers in the current year;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what is the movement target fixed for fertilisers during the same period; and

(c) what is the position of availability of wagon? for achieving the targets this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAF WAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SOINDTA): (a) to (c) Against an overall revenue freight traffic target of 250 million tonnes fixed for 1985-86 in consultation with Planning Commission, the target for movement of fertilisers is 10.5 million tonnes. Despite shortage of wagons, etc. Railways are expected to fulfil the commitment for movement of fertilisers. However, for want of additional resources, the Railways are not in a position to accept additional demands for movements.

Track renewal

197. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated a phased programme for track renewal; if so, what are the details in this regard;

(b) at what cost the track renewal will be done and by when complete renewal will be done; and

(c) what is the total track for complete renewal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) A phased programme for track renewal has been drawn. Railways draft VII Plan envisages renewal of 21000 kms. of track at a cost of Rs. 2500 crores at the price prevailing at the time of preparation of draft Plan. The size of the Plan is yet to be finalised. For the year 1985-86, renewal of 3000 kms. of track is proposed at a cost of Rs. 415 crores (net). The total arrears of renewal as on 1-4-85 are estimated to be 19,550 kms. The progress of the renewals will depend on availability of funds.

Infant Mortality Rate

198. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to •tate;

(a) what is the rate of infant mortality in India *vis-a-vis* U. S., U. K., Sweden, Pakistan, China; and

(b) the reasons for the high rate of infant mortality in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) As per S.R.S. estimates in 1981, infant mortality rate in India was 110.4 per thousand live births. According to available information the infant mortality rates ol other countries are as follows:—

U.S.A.	....	12.1	(1981)
U.K.	....	11 7	(1980—84)
Sweden	....	7.0	(1981)
Pakistan	....	119.8	(1980—84)
China	....	48.7	(1975—80)

(b) The main reasons for high rate of infant mortality in India are Pre. maturity, Respiratory diseases, severe malnutrition, diarrhoea, tetanus; etc.

Private Capital for Development of Haldia and Calcutta Ports

199. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propoie to induct private capital for the development of Haldia and Calcutta ports; and

Cb) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) The concept of using private funds for development works in major ports has been accepted in principle. The details are yet to be worked out.

Incidents of Firing by Pakistani troops in Siachen in Jammn and Kashmir

200. SHRI GAYA CHAND BHU YAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pakistani troops resorted to unprovoked firing on the Indian positions to capture the most strategic points at Siachen area in Kashmir valley and other places at the actual line of control with a view to connecting permanent easy accessible road from the Pak.occupied Kashmir valley to China-occupied Tibet;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) whether there was any loss of life from the Indian side?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) to (c) There have been some incidents of firing and attempts by Pakistani troops to dislodge our troops from positions in the Siachen Glacier area. These incidents have resulted in some casualties on both sides. Some firing incidents have also taken place across the Line of Control in J & K.